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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

According to International Patent Classification (IPC)

Int. Cl. 7 H01L 23/12, 23/498, 21/60

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC: H01L 21/60, 23/12, 23/14, 23/48-50

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

DWPI, IPC as above with keywords; interconnect+ and (substrate or +board+ or pcb or pwb) and (+plat+ or electrodeposit+)

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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